

Appl. No. 10/037,267
Appeal No. 2007-3624
Amdt. dated July 8, 2008
Reply to Decision on Appeal mailed May 8, 2008

REMARKS

Appellants have received the Decision on Appeal mailed May 8, 2008, in which the Board affirmed-in-part the Examiner's rejections contained in the Final Office Action dated January 13, 2006. In the Decision on Appeal, the Board reversed the rejection of claims 1-7 and 16-19 and affirmed the rejection claims 9 and 11-15.

I. POST APPEAL AMENDMENTS

Claim 9 has been amended to require "said preventing execution is implemented by an operating system of said processor-based device." Amended claim 9 now recites "preventing execution by said processor-based device of at least one user application that is defined by software instructions stored on said processor-based device in response to receiving said message by said processor-based device, wherein said preventing execution is implemented by an operating system of said processor-based device." The Board of Appeals indicated that claim 16 was allowable because "Hasebe and Davis would [not] have suggested implementing in an operating system a security process that prevents execution of a user application responsive to receipt of a message." See Decision On Appeal dated 05/08/08, page 9, last paragraph. For much the same reasons as given for claim 16, amended claim 9 and its dependent claims are allowable over the cited references.

II. CONCLUSION

Appellants respectfully request reconsideration and that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. It is believed that no extensions of time or fees are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required (including

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fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Hewlett-Packard Development Company's Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

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